

Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%;">Application Number</td> <td>10/521928</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Filing Date</td> <td>January 21, 2005</td> </tr> <tr> <td>First Named Inventor</td> <td>Bhatnagar, Ajay S. et al.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Art unit</td> <td>1627</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Examiner Name</td> <td>Javanmard, Sahar</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Attorney Docket Number</td> <td>PAT032602-US-PC7</td> </tr> </table>	Application Number	10/521928	Filing Date	January 21, 2005	First Named Inventor	Bhatnagar, Ajay S. et al.	Art unit	1627	Examiner Name	Javanmard, Sahar	Attorney Docket Number	PAT032602-US-PC7
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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.
 Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

1. **Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114** Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).

a. ☐ Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.

i. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____

ii. ☐ Other _____

b. ☒ Enclosed

i. ☒ Amendment/Reply

ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)

iii. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

iv. ☒ Other Petition for extension of time

2. **Miscellaneous**

a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)

b. ☐ Other _____

3. **Fees** The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, any underpayment of fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis.

i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e)

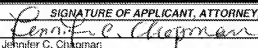
ii. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17)

iii. ☐ Other _____

b. ☐ Check in the amount of \$ _____ enclosed

c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

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Signature		Date
Name (First/Type)	Jennifer C. Chapman	Registration No.
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